



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:  
Hideji Tajima et al.

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For:  
AUTOMATIC SEPARATOR/EXTRACTOR AND  
CONTROL METHOD THEREFOR

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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**  
**MAILED MAY 4, 2005**

**I. Introductory Comments**

The present paper is being submitted in response to the Final Office Action mailed May 4, 2005.

A Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for a request of a two month extension is being filed concurrently herewith. No other fees are believed necessary for consideration of the present paper. However, if any other fees are necessary the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees to Haynes and Boone, LLP's Deposit Account No. 08-1394.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this paper.